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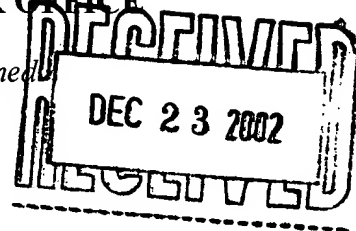
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The Applicant, through its representatives and attorneys, hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner the two additional documents noted on the Accompanying Form PTO-1449.

Copies are provided.

This will certify that each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. Specifically, these documents were noted in a Supplementary Search Report (SSR) issued in connection with the Applicant's corresponding European application. While the date of the SSR itself is not before the undersigned, as noted from a copy of the report itself, the search leading to the report was completed on November 4, 2002. This submission is also timely in that it is presented prior to the first Action on the merits of this application.

A copy of the Search Report is provided for the convenience of the Examiner.

Please take these additional documents into account, in addition to the documents noted in the IDS accompanying filing, and the information provided on pages 1 to 6 in the

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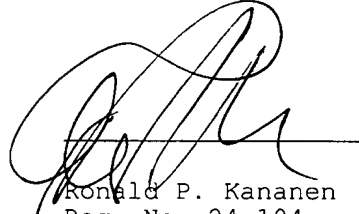
specification as filed.

Early Action on the merits of this application is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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